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SUBJECT: CSCE: SUITABILITY OF ECE AS A FORUM FOR
CONFERENCE FOLLOW- UP IN COOPERATION FIELDS

1. NATO DOSSIERS ON CSCE COOPERATION ITEMS ARE REplete
WITH REFERENCES TO POSSIBLE CONFERENCE FOLLOW- UP IN ECE,
WHICH WE HAVE GENERALLY SUPPORTED. AS WE GET CLOSER TO
CSCE AND INEVITABLE DISCUSSIONS ON CONFERENCE FOLLOW- UP,
IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR ALLIES TO DRAW TOGETHER RELEVANT
CONSIDERATIONS ON ADEQUACY AND APPROPRIATENESS OF ECE FOR
THIS WORK. YOU SHOULD SUGGEST AT MARCH 15 ECONADS MEETING
THAT SUCH A PAPER BE PREPARED FOR ECONADS CONSIDERATION.

2. SUCH A DRAFT PAPER MIGHT FOCUS ON STRUCTURE OF ECE AND
IMPLICATIONS OF ITS LIMITATIONS AND STRENGTHS. (FOR
EXAMPLE, WOULD WE WANT IT TO HAVE PRINCIPALLY A CONSULTA-
TIVE OR OPERATIONAL ROLE? WOULD TRADITION OF BLOC- TO- BLOC
POLITICS IN ITS OPERATIONS BE LIKELY TO INHIBIT EASTERN
EUROPEAN TENDENCIES TOWARD GREATER ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE?
TO WHAT EXTENT WOULD WESTERN GOALS IN FIELD OF " HUMAN
CONTACTS" BE SERVED BY PRIMACY OF ECE IN FOLLOW- UP ON CO-
OPERATION ITEMS?) PAPER MIGHT ALSO ATTEMPT TO DRAW TO-
GETHER INVENTORY OF COOPERATION SUBJECTS WHICH ARE LIKELY
TO BE ADDRESSED AT CSCE AND TO ASSESS THE ECE' S CAPABILITY
TO DEAL WITH EACH. FINALLY, IT MIGHT BRING TOGETHER ALLIED
AND OTHER VIEWS (INCLUDING EASTERN) ON THE SUITABILITY OF

THE ECE AS A PRIMARY MECHANISM FOR CSCE FOLLOW- UP. ROGERS

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